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In re Patent Application of: Roberta Yoshida et al.

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Art Unit: 1652

For: PHENYLALANINE AMMONIA LYASE

POLYPEPTIDE AND POLYNUCLEOTIDE

SEQUENCES AND METHODS OF **OBTAINING AND USING SAME** 

Examiner: Tekchand Saidha

## NOTIFICATION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

An assignment transferring all rights in the above-referenced patent to Excelsyn Molecular Development Limited (Excelsyn) was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on 25 August 2005.

Excelsyn is a Small Business Concern as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.27(a)(2), and herewith asserts its entitlement to Small Entity Status for the purpose of paying small entity fees.

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